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PERSONNEL FOR GENERALS WHEELER AND RYAN FROM
HOLLOWAY. SUBJECT: VISIT OF DR. HENRY A. KISSINGER TO HQ SAC.

1. DR. KISSINGER, ACCOMPANIED BY DR. LARRY LYNN, BRIG GEN JAMES D. HUGHES AND MR. DAVID YOUNG, WAS AT OFFUTT FROM SUNDAY EVENING UNTIL MID-AFTERNOON. ON MONDAY, 9 MARCH, THE BRIEFINGS PRESENTED INCLUDED AN OVERVIEW OF THE STRATEGIC THREAT, A SYNOPSIS OF THE CURRENT STRATEGIC OPTIONS AVAILABLE TO THE U.S., BOTH WITHIN AND OUTSIDE OF THE SIOP, AND THE FINAL BRIEFING WHICH COVERED VARIOUS OPTIONS THAT WE PROBABLY SHOULD HAVE TOGETHER WITH NEEDED WHEREWITHAL FOR THEIR IMPLEMENTATION. IN GENERAL, THIS COMPRISED IMPROVEMENT MEASURES FOR SIOP COMMITTED FORCES AS RECOMMENDED IN THE PAST.

2. THE BRIEFINGS SEEMED TO BE WELL RECEIVED, WITH CONSIDERABLE DISCUSSION THROUGHOUT. DR. KISSINGER EXPRESSED SPECIAL INTEREST IN FLEXIBILITY OF FORCE APPLICATION AND IN RELATED PREPLANNING. THERE WERE CERTAIN ASPECTS OF THE SIOP THAT WERE DELIBERATELY NOT GONE INTO.

3. DR. KISSINGER SPECIFICALLY INDICATED THAT HE HAD OBTAINED A MUCH BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF THE VARIOUS FACETS OF THE TOTAL STRATEGIC PROBLEM AND THAT HIS REPRESENTED THE MOST FORTHRIGHT PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION THAT HE HAD RECEIVED IN AN AREA IN WHICH HE AND THE PRESIDENT WERE VITALLY INTERESTED.

4. I WILL BE IN WASHINGTON AT THE END OF THIS WEEK AND CAN DISCUSS THE VISIT IN MORE DETAIL WITH YOU AT THAT TIME. BEST REGARDS,

GP-4.

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INFO: CJCS (GEN WHEELER)-1 DJS (ADM JOHNSON)-1 CSA (GEN WESTMORELAND)-1
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